

## DANIELS LEFT THE COURT AND REFUSED TO ANSWER

**Commissioner Babcock Intimates That He Will Commit Him For Contempt of Court--A Lively Tilt Between Attorneys Ach and Snook.**

"Good day, gentleman," said G. B. Daniels in Commissioner Babcock's office this afternoon, and he stepped out.

That is the way he summarily ended the baptism of Attorney Henry Ach.

Because of his sudden departure, taking depositions of defendants in the case of Collins against Purdon et al did not go on before Court Commissioner Babcock at 10 o'clock as was announced.

When the master came up, Mr. Snook stated that defendants would not go any further with the depositions at present.

### COLLINS' DEPOSITION.

"We have no objection to a continuance," he said, "but a notice was served on Mr. Collins, the plaintiff in this case, and his attorneys, that his deposition would be taken, and attorneys for plaintiff asked for an earlier date, as Mr. Collins desired to go south to attend some meeting. That request was acceded to, and the time fixed for last Tuesday a week ago, Mr. Collins could not be found in the meantime at his residence or place of business to be served with a subpoena, and on the following Monday he left town and has not yet returned. Whenever the other side are prepared to meet us half way in this matter, we will go on with these depositions."

### ACH TO SHARP PRACTICE.

Ach—if there has been any sharp practice, it is all on the other side. Daniels is resorting to all sorts of artifices and technicalities to avoid showing the books and telling what he has done with the money.

Snook—You can see the books any time you want to.

Ach—But I want to question him from them.

### HE IS UNDER OATH.

Snook—You can do so at the office. Ach—He might lie to me there. Here he is under oath in court.

Snook—You can take a transcript of them.

Ach—I am entitled to have the books with the original entries before me when I question him. A transcript does not meet the case.

There was more heated sparring between the attorneys which grew somewhat personal, which the Commissioner is evidently in line with the policy of the State Department as fully disclosed in the notes published by it from time to time. It is again stated that there has been no joint action as between the United States and the two powers mentioned yesterday. It is a fact that the preamble to the new treaty might be regarded as almost a blockade post of the United States toward the Manchurian question as enunciated in Secretary Hay's note to the Russian

embassy.

ACH REPUDIATES CHARGE.

Ach repudiated the charge of sharp practices and said the plaintiffs alone had the right to complain of unfair dealing. He said they had no bargaining to make with the regular order of procedure.

### DID NOT BRING BOOKS.

Turning to Daniels he asked, "Have you brought the books you were ordered to produce?"

"He has not," said Snook.

"Let Mr. Daniels answer?" said Ach.

"You may answer that," said Snook.

Daniels—I have not.

Ach—Why have you not brought them?

Daniels—Because I didn't think it necessary?

Ach—Why didn't you think it necessary?

Daniels—Good day, gentlemen. As he said this he struck on his hat and went out of the door.

### WANTS DANIELS ARRESTED.

Ach—I now ask that a warrant be issued for the arrest of G. B. Daniels and that he be brought into court and punished for contempt.

Snook—You stated yesterday, Mr. Ach, that the Commissioner had no power to punish for contempt in this case.

### CAN PUNISH FOR CONTEMPT.

Ach—So I did, but I have changed my mind. By the Constitution and the statute the Commissioner has the power to punish for contempt. In this case the contempt was committed in the presence of the court.

Snook—Your Honor was present in court yesterday and heard Mr. Ach say that he had no power to punish for contempt.

The Commissioner—I have nothing to do with what is done and said somewhere else. I deal with what occurs here. I am under the impression that I have the power to punish for contempt because the Constitution vests that power in me.

### COMMISSIONER'S POWER.

Ach—I trust Your Honor will not pass this matter hastily. It was admitted in open court by the attorneys for plaintiff that in his proceeding you had no power to punish for contempt. Having failed in that proceeding they come back here with a change of front and contend that you have the power.

### ACH SAYS CONTEMPT.

Ach—I under Sections 11 and 15 of Article Six of the Constitution and Sections 178 and 179 of the Political Code the Commissioner is expressly empowered to punish for contempt. This was a definite contempt committed in the presence of the court.

In the Levinsky case," said Judge Ogden, "the refusal of the witness to obey a subpoena of a grand jury was contempt, but it was not contempt of the court, but contempt of the witness. This case is almost identical with the Levinsky case, if I had known of this case this morning when I issued the citation I would not have issued it. The contempt is confined altogether to the officer who makes the order, and if there is any contempt he is the officer to punish the contempt."

"This court has absolutely no jurisdiction in this case. If the affidavit had been made of cast-iron it would not have made any difference. This court has no

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## GUY BARHAM PURCHASES THE POST.

### Popular Resident of Los Angeles Makes Offer of \$100,000

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12.—It is stated an indisputable authority that Guy C. Barham has made an offer of \$100,000 cash for the Evening Post. This same authority says the offer will undoubtedly be accepted, as imperative orders have been issued by E. H. Harriman, President of the Southern Pacific Company, to sell the paper.

It is understood that the change of ownership will be speedily made. Mr. Barham is a wealthy and popular citizen of Los Angeles, where he served a term as Police Commissioner. He is a noted civic and political man, and is well known in San Francisco. Besides having plenty of means of his own he has strong financial backing.

Mr. Barham will take personal control of the paper and will inaugurate a complete change of policy. He will make the Post independent in politics, and institute new features in its news service. Under his vigorous and energetic management, the Post is expected to become an enterprising and aggressive competitor in the news field.

It is Mr. Barham's intention to place it in the very front of evening newspapers, and as he is sure and able he will undoubtedly surround himself with the best newspaper talent to be found.

In newspaper circles it is accepted as a fact that Mr. Barham will get the Post, and it is expected that he will be a lively and interesting figure in the San Francisco newspaper world.

## OLD MAN TAKES LIFE.

Frank McGuire, a bohemian 50 years of age, residing on Fourteenth avenue between Eleventh and Twelfth streets, in a broken down house, was found dead to-day on the floor by Patrolman Collet.

There were two bottles of strychnine beside the body, and the supposition is that the old man committed suicide.

From legal papers and other documents found in the house it is evident that the dead man was in extreme poverty.

Papers in his possession showed that he had commenced suit against E. C. Sessions for the recovery of a block of land at the foot of Commercial street.

The body had begun to decompose when found and had been eaten by rats, which is known of his relatives. He was born in Ireland.

IN OMAHA.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 12.—Lincoln's birthday was celebrated by the Union Pacific Railway by closing the entire headquarters for the day. President Lincoln's administration was especially identified with the building of the overland road and the day will be observed as much as possible over the system. The "Lincoln car," which now stands dismantled at the old shops, was draped appropriately and the employees were given an opportunity to view it. The last time the car was used was to carry the body of the martyred President to Springfield, Ills.

ENCLERICS IN CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—Lincoln's birthday was observed here today by the closing of banks, municipal and county offices, the Board of Trade and the Stock Exchange. Appropriate banquets were held in the schools. Banquets will be held this evening by the Marquette Lincoln and Standard Clubs. At the Marquette Club the speakers and their addresses will be: Senator Young, Iowa; Senator Lincoln; Senator McRae, South Carolina; "Lincoln and His Relations to the South"; Charles Emory Smith of Pennsylvania; "Lincoln and McKinley"; Curtis Gilfillan Jr. of Boston; "Our Friend in the Tropics."

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Mrs. Hunt's deposition was desired in the suit of Mrs. Lessie West against her stepmother, Mrs. Dore Girard, widow of the late ex-Councilman F. R. Girard. Girard was a piano dealer and left a fortune of about \$100,000. Prior to his death, however, he bequeathed all his property to his wife. Recently the daughter filed a suit to set the deeds aside, alleging that they were obtained by undue influence while Girard was in fear and contemplation of death. When she recovered, Mrs. West declared, she revoked the deeds, but the Supreme Court reversed itself.

immediately after his death the widow caused them to be recorded.

In his affidavit made up in his application to have Mrs. Hunt cited for contempt, Braun declares that a subpoena was issued by O. E. Hotchkiss, a notary public, on February 3, 1902, commanding that Georgie Hunt appear and attend before him at 106 Broadway, on February 11, to deposit and testify in the above entitled cause. Mrs. Hunt did appear as directed; that Paul V. Wood, attorney for Mrs. Girard, was present and stated that Mrs. Hunt would probably not appear again, that the witness fees had not been paid. Braun declares that the fees were not demanded.

The affidavit further recites that Mrs. Hunt left on the steamship State of California for Los Angeles on February 4th.

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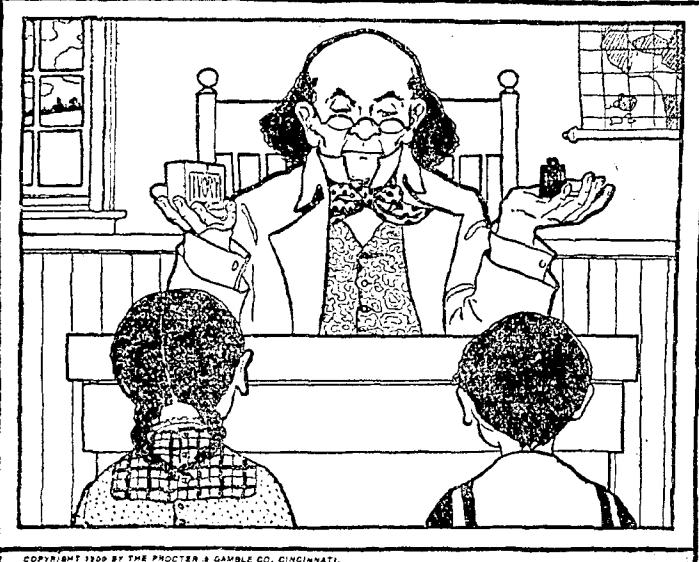
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## SPORTING NEWS.

## WILL HAVE RACING AT TANFORAN TRACK.

The colors of the New California Jockey Club will be hauled down at Emeryville one week from next Friday and transferred to Tanforan where racing will open Washington's Birthday. This decision was reached by the directors yesterday and announced by Secretary Price. The San Mateo county track will probably enjoy the sport for thirty days and then racing will be returned to Emeryville where the season will close. The change of scene and track will be welcomed by race-givers and those who were getting stale themselves with the long drawn out meeting at the track.

Yesterday Jockey Bullman beat the gate by 100 yards in the first race and again won the next race. The track and the form charts credit both with winning because of the advantage gained at the start. Bullman was away badly in the first race by Hilary and finished very near the finish. He added yesterday that Aldronack would have been third but for the advantage gained at the start. Joe Riley, who was left at the post a few days ago, was made a hot favorite yesterday and was beaten by the barrier in front. Such things cannot be blamed to the starter, who has absolutely no control after the barrier is released. In a recall race the starter could be held accountable for such work. Whether a real tag standing is at the mercy of luck.

## JOCKEY GOES TO EUROPE.

Jockey Charlie Thorne passed through Lincoln, Neb., a few days ago en route to New York, from which point he will sail for France, where he is engaged to ride this season for Viscount d'Herbey at a salary of \$6,000 francs.

## WON FOR HIS CLIENTS.

N. S. Hand, the handicapper, started a \$100 "pension" yesterday and carried it along on five successful horses, winning \$8,000 for his clients.

## CROWDED HOUSE AT THE WEST OAKLAND CLUB.

A crowded house, packed to the doors, greeted the fighters at the West Oakland Athletic Club last night, and a fine evening's sport was enjoyed by all. "Cyclone" Kelly managed to hold his own with J. J. D'Amato, who, in round after round of fast work at the end of which the referee declared honors even. There was no time lost, however, as they knew how from the start and all were in perfect physical condition when the bell sounded.

In the preliminary Frank George defeated Pete McGee after six rounds of warm work. The other contest was a disappointment, as Frank Bell quit in the sixth round and the contest was awarded to George Sone.

## BOXING AT RELIANCE CLUB FRIDAY NIGHT.

Among the visitors at the Reliance Club yesterday to witness the training stunts of "Dutch" Thurston were several gentlemen from Portland, Oregon, who came down to see this boy. They had visited Nell the day before and after watching Thurston they admitted that he was much better man than they had supposed.

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## NEGROES FLOCKING INTO CITIES

If the average man were asked what city in the United States contains the largest negro population he would probably answer New Orleans. Yet the answer would be wrong. Washington and Baltimore each contain more negro inhabitants than New Orleans, and Philadelphia does not fall far behind. Washington contains the largest proportion of negroes. In no large city are the negroes in the majority.

The drift of the negroes to the cities is going on at an accelerated pace. According to the twelfth census a little over one-ninth of the total colored population of the country resides in the cities. This is an extraordinary proportion for a labor element that is almost entirely agricultural in character, and which does not enter appreciably into the building trades or manufacturing employments, and which cuts no figure in business pursuits.

There are 41 cities with a colored population of more than 5,000, the total number of negroes in these cities reaching about 1,000,000. This exceeds the total city population of the United States in 1890, when there were 25 cities above the 5,000 limit, with an aggregate of 660,000 souls. There are 15 cities containing more than 20,000 negroes, with a total population of 700,000. Five of these cities exceed 60,000, namely Washington, with 87,502; Baltimore, with 79,259; New Orleans, with 77,174; Philadelphia, with 62,613; and New York, with 60,666. The increase in these 15 cities in the last decade has been 29 per cent. Several cities have shown surprising rapidity of growth. The negro population increased 55 per cent in Philadelphia, 111 per cent in Chicago, 74 per cent in Memphis, and 68 per cent in New York. It is not known how long these rates of growth can continue, before these cities will have taken on as much of the dark element as the social medium can hold in solution without causing a black precipitation.

Taking these figures for a text Professor Kelly Miller, in the Forum, says: "The social and industrial backwardness of the negro cannot be more strikingly illustrated than by this comparison. It will require almost superhuman effort to bring these people up to the level of opportunity and efficiency maintained by their white fellow citizens."

The negro, he says, has no fixed status in the industrial life of the city, and must inevitably sink to the bottom of the social medium.

A marked feature of the urban negro population is the preponderance of females. There are on the average 120 negro females to every 100 negro males in the large centers. Washington has an excess of 10,000, and Baltimore of 9,000 negro females. This disproportion is a most serious factor in urban life of the negro, and one that must be taken into account in the formulation of plans for his social betterment.

## WILLIAM C. WHITNEY.

William C. Whitney's retirement from business has started the political gossip to speculate as to his future. It is suggested that he will make a try for the Presidency. Doubtless he would like to be President, but the idea must seem futile to a man of his astuteness. It is beyond the realm of possibilities for him to be elected. Leaving aside the demoralized and discredited state of his party, Whitney's connection with so many of the great trusts will count his overwhelming defeat. He is identified with the Standard Oil Company, and a dozen other great corporations that are held to be dangerous to the public welfare. Whitney is a remarkably shrewd politician, and would count vast sums should he decide to enter the Presidential race but it would be for naught. As the candidate par excellence of the trusts he would be buried under an avalanche of votes.

In Detroit they have got the cashier but the cashier has not got the money. He loaned it to his brother without security. That is the story of the latest big bank failure, in a nutshell; and it is a story that is altogether too common in our financial annals. Men who thus plunder thousands of men and women, generally of the poorer class, should be severely punished. It is a regularly vile form of robbery because it involves a breach of trust and impoverishes the thrift and industrious working class. Ordinary stealing is princely compared to thefts of this character.

SAY DEBT WAS PAID.

Flora and L. H. Egert, who are being sued by Bertha D. and J. H. Walker for the recovery of an alleged loan of \$500, today filed an answer in the action, alleging that the debt was paid prior to the commencement of the suit.

## THE ANGLO-JAPANESE ALLIANCE.

The new treaty between Great Britain and Japan is a frank and undisguised notice to Russia to stop her advance in Manchuria. It is not an offensive and defensive alliance in the general understanding of the term, for it leaves each power at liberty to refuse aid to the other, but the terms of the treaty show that England and Japan have pooled their issues for the mutual protection of their interests in China and Korea. It is easy to see that England has the best of the bargain for it is Japan that will bear the brunt in case of war. In the meantime the Japanese fleet and army stand sentinel over the British possessions along the Yellow Sea and in the Indian Ocean.

Yet it is difficult to see how the arrangement could be different. Russia is threatening China and Korea from the north and India from the west. England can stand the loss of her Chinese possessions, but the absorption by Russia of North China and Korea would mean the destruction of the Japanese Empire. The Korean peninsula is the key to the Japanese position. It was the attempt of China to gain control over Korea that caused Japan to go to war. When China attempted to land troops in Korea the Japanese promptly sunk the transports without waiting for a declaration of war, because the act in itself conveyed all the menace of war.

But Russia's aggression is infinitely more dangerous. Ever since the time of Peter the Great the Moscovite Empire has pursued a policy of territorial aggrandizement, and the process of absorbing the continent of Asia has been going on for two hundred years. The only strong powers that stand in her way are England and Japan. France has extensive possessions in Siam, but France today is as weak in the hands of Russia. China is effete and powerless. The Shah of Persia is practically a vassal of the Czar, and only the jealousy of the western powers prevents the Moscovite from taking possession of Constantinople and the Dardanelles.

In the far East there is no one to stay the hand of Russia but the Briton and the Jap. If Korea falls, Japan must fall. If China comes under the sway of the Czar then England will lose the Indian Empire conquered by Clive, Wellington and Cootie. So the alliance is a necessity for both England and Japan, but it is such an alliance as England would wish. It compels Japan to fight, and leaves England free to fight or refrain as circumstances may dictate.

## SECRETARY GAGE'S DISTINCTION

Lyman J. Gage retires from the Treasury Department leaving a splendid record behind him as an able financier. When he assumed office the Treasury was depleted and unequal to the demands on it. He leaves office with the Treasury overflowing, and with the National finances in a thoroughly sound condition. He has handled more money than any other Secretary ever did. Mr. Gage's retirement calls to mind the fact that he is the only one of the really great Secretaries of the Treasury that was a banker or professional financier. Alexander Hamilton, Albert Gallatin, Robert J. Walker, Salmon P. Chase and John Sherman were none of them distinguished as financiers in civil life. All were lawyers save Albert Gallatin, who was a college professor. All were what is known as professional politicians, yet all were statesmen and financiers of the first rank. Mr. Gage is the only banker who has ever broken into the charmed circle of great National financiers.

## WOULD HAVE HER BOND AS GUARDIAN PRODUCED.

Mrs. Alice M. B. Valentine, widow of the late John J. Valentine, today filed a petition to have her bond as guardian of the five minor children reduced to \$1,000, and for permission to place all of the money belonging to the children in excess of \$500 each, in the care of the Union Trust Company. Not being actively engaged in business, Mrs. Valentine says it is not convenient for her to furnish bonds as guardian in the sums fixed by the Court, which in the aggregate amount to about \$40,000. For this reason she desires to retain the guardianship of children, but to allow the Trust Company to handle the property, no funds to be drawn from the bank without an order from the Court. Furthermore, Mrs. Valentine says the bonds required by the court are excessive.

## THE MISSES CHRISTIANSON TO RECEIVE.

Miss Annie J. Christianson and Miss Henrietta Christianson returned today from a very pleasant six weeks' visit as the guests of the family of Hon. James Blacklock, near Suisun, Solano County. They had an enjoyable time. The young ladies will receive their friends tomorrow evening at their home, 720 Harrison street, and will in the future be home every Tues-

nesday evening.

Wednesday evening.

## Real Axminster Carpets

sewed, lined and laid for

**\$1.10 yd.**

These are new carpets; they offer a wide range of choice in colorings and patterns. We know of no carpet house anywhere making so good a cash offer at the very opening of spring, when home makers are transferring carpets from one room to another and buying a new one for the best parlor.

If you require any article of good furniture, don't wait till you have all the price of it. Buy it now, and have the use and comfort of it, while paying us for it at the rate of one dollar a week.

**Jackson Furniture Co.,**  
523-525 12th Street, OAKLAND.  
Between Washington and Clay.

## GETTING MONEY FOR THE COLLEGE

MEDICAL MEN ARE DOING WELL  
WITH THEIR SUBSCRIPTION LIST.

The gentlemen who are soliciting subscriptions for the building for the Oakland College of Medicine and Surgery are meeting with marked success all along the line. The business men are coming up with funds in fine style.

These are the reasons why subscriptions should be made to the college:

- That the Oakland College of Medicine and Surgery is incorporated and has its charter.
- That it has a complete bacteriological laboratory costing several thousands of dollars.
- That the incorporators themselves have subscribed all they are able.
- That the members of the organization have done materially in finding a large hospital to Oakland, to which they have agreed to act as staffs.
- That all money subscribed shall be used for educational purposes.
- That all money received from the institution shall be used for educational purposes, i.e., in increasing the college capacity and educational facilities.
- That no money is to be paid to the organiza-

## INTERESTING ITEMS FROM PLEASANTON.

PLEASANTON, Feb. 12.—John Connex, the eldest child of Mr. and Mrs. J. Coffey, is seriously ill at his parents' home in Pleasanton. The child is suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism and also from a bruise on the hip received from a fall several months ago.

Hert Lewis, of the firm of Lewis Brothers, has sold his interest in the store to his brother, Frank Lewis.

The members of the Fire Department will meet next Tuesday evening in the Town Hall to transact important business.

Miss Irene Schweer spent Sunday in Pleasanton.

Mr. Herken of San Ramon was in town Monday.

Geo. Johnson, who has been in San Francisco, has returned home.

Mr. Lethal of San Francisco was a visitor on Sunday.

John Daly of Oakland was in town Monday on business.

W.H. Cullin and wife of Oakland were guests of C. L. Cullin and wife at the Hotel de la Ville.

Miss Elsie Ginter of Pleasanton spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Geo. Meyer at this place.

Geo. Erasch was a visitor in town Sunday.

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## LORD DUFFERIN, FORMER GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF CANADA, IS DEAD.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The Marquis of Dufferin, former Governor General of Canada and who had filled many high diplomatic posts in the English service, died at 6:35 o'clock this morning at his residence at Cheltenham, County Down, Ireland. Lord Dufferin had been long in ill health. He passed away peacefully after a fit of total unconsciousness. Lord Dufferin never wholly recovered from the shock which he experienced as the result of the death of his son, Lord Avera, in South Africa, and kindred sorrows, of which he was a director, completed his breakdown. With the exception of his youngest son, Lord Hamilton Temple Blackwood, who is with his regiment, the Ninth Lancers, in South Africa, the family were present at the death bed. Lord Cheltenham, an elderly son who is a clerk in the Foreign Office and who married Florence, daughter of John H. Davis of New York, succeeded to his title and another American joins the ranks of the Peers. The funeral of Lord Dufferin will be private. His remains will be buried in the graveyard at Cheltenham, February 15.

The papers commented on Lord Dufferin's paltry possession of 1,700 pounds sterling, which he dedicated his military service in day companies.

The St. James Gazette writes:

"It is not a pleasant reflection that if the nation had acted with justice toward such a master it has now lost the might he spared himself in consequence of the circumstances which he brought upon himself in consequence of his brilliant career."

## WOMEN ARE PREPARING FOR THE INTER-NATIONAL CONVENTION.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The executive committee of the International Women's Suffrage Convention, which meets here today held its second session here this morning, preliminary to the opening of the convention to further consider a plan of procedure.

The committee decided to admit to auxiliary membership the Friends' Equal Rights Association. Two propositions submitted by President Carrie Chapman Catt were referred to a sub-committee who are to report to the full committee on Friday. The first has for its object the promoting of equal suffrage sentiment, which she said has been used subsequently in France. It envisions the creation of a woman's postage stamp, the same as in France, to be placed along side the regular stamp. She pointed out that the regulation postage stamp of France represents a young woman resting her hand on a table which bears a motto "Rights of man" while the French women have a base reverse of this and how a young man with the motto "Land" on a table with the motto "Rights of woman."

Her other proposition was that each other State suffrage association shall appoint a State historian to keep a record of all interesting facts.

Following the meeting of the executive committee the delegates from foreign countries gathered in conference for the purpose of considering the question of formation of a woman's international association. The countries represented at this meeting were England, Austria, Russia, Turkey, Sweden, Canada, Chile, Norway and Germany.

Miss Susan B. Anthony was chosen to preside over the sessions of this body. Miss Vida Goldstein of Australia being selected as recording secretary.

It was agreed that each country should have four representatives at the international conference. Those from this country are Miss Susan B. Anthony, New York; Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, New York; Miss Anna Shaw and Mrs. Rachel Foster Avery of Philadelphia.

A sub-committee of five was appointed to consider and refer a plan for the establishment of such an organization. The sub-committee will meet Friday.

## MRS. F. A. DUNN DECLARES THAT HER CHILD HAS BEEN ABDUCTED

Mrs. F. A. Dunn, a domestic, who recently came to Oakland from Sacramento, appeared at the County Clerk's office early this morning to inquire about her child, who, she claimed, had been abducted. Mrs. Dunn appeared reticent about going into particulars when questioned by Deputy Sheriff Clark Pierce, but she wanted to know whether a child named Dunn had been adopted in this county. There is no record of any such adoption.

According to the story told by Mrs. Dunn, she came to Oakland recently to work as a domestic and she placed her 2-year-old child with a family in West Oakland. Yesterday she called upon this family and she was told that a man had carried off the little one and left with the child in an Elgin street electric car. The woman could not, or would not, give any further details, although she appeared to be suffering greatly from fear.

When Mrs. Dunn arrived with the address given her by Pierce, Mrs. Dunn appeared at the West Oakland Home. She inquired if a child named Dunn had been taken there and, when she received a negative answer, departed without telling her story. She appeared at the Home to be in a despondent mood.

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